

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1259**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Yee**

February 21, 2003

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An act to add Section 33009.3 to the Education Code, relating to the State Board of Education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1259, as introduced, Yee. State Board of Education.

(1) Existing law provides for the State Board of Education, comprised of 10 members who are appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the Senate.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature that the Governor appoint members to the board who are drawn from and represent distinct geographical regions of the state.

(2) Existing law requires a state body to provide a 10-day advance notice of its meeting to any person who requests notice in writing. Existing law also requires the notice to be made available on the Internet at least 10 days in advance of the meeting. Existing law requires the notice to contain a brief description of the items of business to be transacted or discussed in either open or closed session and provides that the description generally need not exceed 20 words.

This bill would, notwithstanding those provisions, require the 10-day advance notice, to the extent practicable, to include sufficient background materials on each item on the agenda to enable an interested person to evaluate the substance and probable effect of the proposed action. The bill would require the board to also post the background materials on its Internet Web site 10 days prior to the meeting.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature that the  
2     Governor, in appointing members to the State Board of Education,  
3     appoint members who are drawn from and represent distinct  
4     geographical regions of the state.  
5     SEC. 2. Section 33009.3 is added to the Education Code, to  
6     read:  
7     33009.3. Notwithstanding subdivision (b) of Section 11125  
8     of the Government Code, when the board provides a 10-day  
9     advance notice of a meeting to a person who requests notice as  
10    provided in subdivision (a) of Section 11125 of the Government  
11    Code, the board shall, to the extent practicable, include sufficient  
12    background materials on each item on the agenda that will be taken  
13    up in open session to enable an interested person to evaluate the  
14    substance and probable effect of the proposed action. The board  
15    shall also post the background materials on its Internet Web site 10  
16    days prior to the meeting.

